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SUBJECT	O Frederick SCHWEND/Contact with SMOTH in Lima			
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<p>Action: None</p> <p>Reference: <input type="checkbox"/> 4632, 11 Oct 63</p> <p>1. Headquarters received the following from the SMOTH representative in ZRMETAL.</p> <p>"Our Head of Station in Lima has reported that he has been approached by Frederick SCHWEND who claims to have information of great value to sell to SMOTH; and hinted that this might concern the whereabouts of Nazi archives and gold. He told our representative that he had been taken out of Germany secretly by KUBARK in 1946 and had worked for them thereafter for three or four years.</p> <p>"Our Head Office have traces of SCHWEND as a shady customer who has also used the aliases of WENDIG, SAUTER and Major KEMP. Before the war he was apparently an international arms dealer with big interests in an American firm in Buenos Aires. During the war he was arrested in 1941 for espionage by the Italians who handed him over to the Germans. The latter released him and appointed him purchasing agent for the R.S.H.A. and outlet for counterfeit Allied currency. After the war he was alleged to have escaped from Germany to South America and was reported in Lima in 1955 at the address Casilla 1201.</p> <p>"Our Head Office have advised our Head of Station in Lima to have nothing to do with this man; but have asked us to advise you of the incident in view of subject's claim to have worked for KUBARK. We should be grateful for any further information on him."</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CONTINUED</p> <p>Distribution: 3 - <input type="checkbox"/></p>				
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<p>2. Headquarters responded to this request with:</p> <p>"SCHWEND was born 6 November 1906 in Bockington (Wurtemberg) Germany. He was an engineer who had been engaged in import/export and had had financial interests in Latin America, United States, Italy and Germany. Both he and his wife were registered Nazi party members as of January 1932. In 1944 he was director of the European financial operations of R.S.H.A. and in the spring 1945 he was arrested by CIC. His interrogation was turned over to OSS who questioned him from July to November 1945 on his knowledge of personalities and activities of R.S.H.A. He was subsequently released and in April 1947 immigrated to Peru under an assumed name.</p> <p>"As of 1963 SCHWEND was employed by the Volkswagon Distributors in Lima and resided at Vitarte, KM 17.</p> <p>"As indicated above, SCHWEND's statement that he had been secretly taken out of Germany by KUBARK in 1946 and had subsequently worked for us is quite false. We have no operational interest in SCHWEND and believe your Head Office was well advised in recommending that your Lima Station have nothing to do with this man."</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> [] </div>		
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